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Comments on Material Procured in [redacted] per our Discussion of 19 August

1. As requested, the sample material provided has been circulated for comments.

2. The opinion of the relevant branches was that, although the sample was quite small, there appears to be substantive content of enough value to justify further exploitation of the source.

3. Specifically, the items which concerned foreign trade, if typical, would be of considerable value. The information contained in the transportation item had been seen in the original document, but it is of value in translated and published form. The item concerning construction was judged to be of no particular value. A sample of one cannot be considered representative, however, and S/CST would not, on this basis, recommend discarding the source.

4. All branches were agreed that the material, if published, should contain a warning that it is an unchecked translation from a third-party source.

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